

CHAPTER 28-02.1-03 TYPES OF REGISTRATION

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28-02.1-03-01. Types of registration. Engineers and land surveyors may become registered professional practitioners by examination, endorsement, or by temporary permit.

1. **Registration by examination.** Registration by examination is generally a two-step process for those applicants who have met the general qualification requirements; who have met certain education requirements or who have the experience deemed to be satisfactory and acceptable to the board, or both; and who have successfully passed the examinations prescribed by the board.
 - a. The board has the written examination prepared by the national council of examiners for engineers and surveyors as its standard of examinations and qualifications.
 - b. The board may require one or more questions in examinations measuring familiarity with the code of ethics. Similarly, in furtherance of the board's determination of rehabilitation, an examination on the code of ethics may be required.
2. **Registration by endorsement.** Registration by endorsement is for engineers or land surveyors who hold a current registration in another jurisdiction who substantially meet or have met, in the opinion of the board, the following requirements and qualifications:
 - a. Qualifications and requirements - Professional engineer.
 - (1) Graduates from a four-year or more engineering program accredited by the accreditation board for engineering and technology must satisfy the following requirements:
 - (a) Pass an eight-hour examination in engineering fundamentals.
 - (b) Have a minimum of four years of acceptable engineering experience.
 - (c) Pass an eight-hour examination in the principles and practice of engineering.
 - (2) Graduates from a four-year or more engineering program not accredited by the accreditation board for engineering and technology that, in the opinion of the board, is

substantially equivalent to engineering must satisfy the following requirements:

- (a) Pass an eight-hour examination in engineering fundamentals.
 - (b) Have a minimum of eight years of acceptable engineering experience.
 - (c) Pass an eight-hour examination in the principles and practice of engineering.
- (3) Graduates from a four-year or more engineering-related curriculum, that, in the opinion of the board, is substantially equivalent to engineering must satisfy the following requirements:
- (a) Pass an eight-hour examination in engineering fundamentals.
 - (b) Have a minimum of twelve years of acceptable engineering experience, the last six years of which demonstrates progressive experience in applying the principles and methods of engineering analysis and design.
 - (c) Pass an eight-hour examination in the principles and practice of engineering.
- (4) Teacher of engineering. A teacher of engineering must satisfy the following requirements:
- (a) Pass an eight-hour examination in engineering fundamentals.
 - (b) The individual must have taught engineering, for a minimum of four years, in a college or university offering an engineering curriculum approved by the board and must have a minimum of two years of practical engineering experience satisfactory to the board.
 - (c) Pass an eight-hour examination in the principles and practice of engineering.

b. Qualifications and requirements - Registered land surveyor.

- (1) A graduate of a four-year or more land surveying or engineering program accredited by the accreditation board

for engineering and technology must satisfy the following requirements:

- (a) Pass an eight-hour examination in fundamentals of land surveying.
 - (b) Have a minimum of four years of experience in land surveying work of a character satisfactory to the board and indicating that the applicant is competent to practice land surveying.
 - (c) Pass an examination in the principles and practices of land surveying.
 - (d) Pass an examination pertaining to land surveying laws, procedures, and practices in North Dakota.
- (2) A graduate from a land surveying or engineering program not accredited by the accreditation board for engineering and technology and approved by the board must satisfy the following requirements:
- (a) Pass an eight-hour examination in fundamentals of land surveying.
 - (b) Have a minimum of six years of experience in land surveying work of a character satisfactory to the board and indicating that the applicant is competent to practice land surveying.
 - (c) Pass an examination in the principles and practices of land surveying.
 - (d) Pass an examination pertaining to land surveying laws, procedures, and practices in North Dakota.
- (3) All other land surveying applicants not qualifying under paragraphs 1 and 2 must satisfy the following requirements:
- (a) Pass an eight-hour examination in fundamentals of land surveying.
 - (b) Have a minimum of eight years of experience in land surveying work of a character satisfactory to the board and indicating that the applicant is competent to practice land surveying. Up to two years of credit toward experience requirements may be granted upon completion of equivalent time in a board-approved land surveying or engineering curriculum.

- (c) Pass an examination in the principles and practices of land surveying.
 - (d) Pass an examination pertaining to land surveying laws, procedures, and practices in North Dakota.
- 3. **Temporary permit - Temporary registration.** Educational and experience requirements must comply with North Dakota law. A one-time temporary permit may be issued on the basis of one project and may not exceed one year. The applicant must be legally qualified to practice in the state or country of residence and must have current registration. A temporary permit must be approved prior to submission of plans and specifications for the execution of a project. Temporary permits for land surveyors are not authorized by North Dakota law.

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